

RCW 74.08A.250 "Work activity" defined. Unless the context clearly requires otherwise, as used in this chapter, "work activity" means:

- (1) Unsubsidized paid employment in the private or public sector;
- (2) Subsidized paid employment in the private or public sector, including employment through the state or federal work-study program for a period not to exceed 24 months;
- (3) Work experience, including:
 - (a) An internship or practicum, that is paid or unpaid and is required to complete a course of vocational training or to obtain a license or certificate in a high-demand occupation, as determined by the employment security department. No internship or practicum shall exceed 12 months; or
 - (b) Work associated with the refurbishing of publicly assisted housing, if sufficient paid employment is not available;
- (4) On-the-job training;
- (5) Job search and job readiness assistance;
- (6) Community service programs, including a recipient's voluntary service at a child care or preschool facility licensed under chapter 43.216 RCW or an elementary school in which his or her child is enrolled;
- (7) Vocational educational training, not to exceed 12 months with respect to any individual except that this 12-month limit may be increased to 24 months subject to funding appropriated specifically for this purpose;
- (8) Job skills training directly related to employment;
- (9) Education directly related to employment, in the case of a recipient who has not received a high school diploma or a high school equivalency certificate as provided in RCW 28B.50.536;
- (10) Satisfactory attendance at secondary school or in a course of study leading to a high school equivalency certificate as provided in RCW 28B.50.536, in the case of a recipient who has not completed secondary school or received such a certificate;
- (11) The provision of child care services to an individual who is participating in a community service program;
- (12) Internships, that shall be paid or unpaid work experience performed by an intern in a business, industry, or government or nongovernmental agency setting;
- (13) Practicums, which include any educational program in which a student is working under the close supervision of a professional in an agency, clinic, or other professional practice setting for purposes of advancing their skills and knowledge;
- (14) Services required by the recipient under RCW 74.08.025(2) and 74.08A.010(3) to become employable;
- (15) Financial literacy activities designed to be effective in assisting a recipient in becoming self-sufficient and financially stable; and
- (16) Parent education services or programs that support development of appropriate parenting skills, life skills, and employment-related competencies. [2023 c 418 s 6; 2019 c 343 s 5; 2017 c 156 s 1; 2013 c 39 s 27; 2011 1st sp.s. c 42 s 8; 2009 c 353 s 6; 2006 c 107 s 2; 2000 c 10 s 1; 1997 c 58 s 311.]

Prospective application—2019 c 343: See note following RCW 74.08.025.

Findings—Intent—Effective date—2011 1st sp.s. c 42: See notes following RCW 74.08A.260.

Finding—2011 1st sp.s. c 42: See note following RCW 74.04.004.

Findings—Intent—2006 c 107: "The legislature finds that for a variety of reasons, many citizens may lack the basic financial knowledge necessary to spend their money wisely, save for the future, and manage money challenges, such as a job loss, financing a college education, or a catastrophic injury. The legislature also finds that financial literacy is an essential element in achieving financial stability and self-sufficiency. The legislature intends to encourage participation in financial literacy training by WorkFirst participants, in order to promote their ability to make financial decisions that will contribute to their long-term financial well-being." [2006 c 107 s 1.]

Effective date—2006 c 107: "This act takes effect January 1, 2007." [2006 c 107 s 4.]